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Scenario by C. Graham Baker✓

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Five Reel Comedy-Drama

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SYNOPSIS

Twenty-five years ago, President Olivarra of Anchuria, had granted a concession to the Vesuvian Fruit Company, which he expects to bring prosperity to his country. While telling the crowds outside of the capitol, a shot is fired at the instigation of Losada, and Olivarra is killed. Madame Olivarra and her little son Ramon are called to the bedside as Olivarra dies. Losada's plot proves successful and for twenty-five years he has been president of Anchuria. His rule has been one of despotism and high taxation, and today he announces an export tax of ten cents on each bunch of bananas, shipped from Anchuria. Senor Vincenti, the head of the Fruit Company tells Losada that he has no wish to see the people suffer and that his company will therefore pay the tax. One day, shortly after, Dicky Maloney, of the flaming red hair, arrives in Coralie. His popularity extends throughout the town. This arouses Losada and he orders the comandante of police to investigate the stranger. The summons is received by Dicky while he is at the Cafe of Madame Ortiz. Dicky tells the police that he will get into business and returns to the cafe that night. There he meets Pasa Ortiz and after a swift courtship, they marry. Losada's cabinet proposes that Vincenti contribute a huge sum of money toward the building of a railroad. Vincenti replies with a counter-offer and the announcement that if Losada's government doesn't like it he will change it. Dicky holds a meeting in the back room of his shop where the overthrow of the Losada government is planned. A police spy reports to the comandante and Dicky is arrested. When the comandante reaches the store to make the arrest he finds Dicky's wife alone; he makes love to her, and Dicky throws him into the street. His soldiers overpower Dicky and take him to jail. The next day is the annual fete day. A steamer lands Senor Vincenti who receives a message that Dicky is in jail. He sends the captain of the ship with money so that Dicky can bribe his way out; he must be on the plaza at noon. Dicky successfully bribes two of his jailors when the comandante enters and captures him. The ceremony of the city of Coralie turning over the key to the president has begun and General Pilar is making the presentation. Dicky effects his escape and reaches the balcony of the capitol just as Pilar tells of the assassination of the good President Olivarra and the return of Olivarra's son, Ramon, whom the populace know as Dicky Maloney. The people cheer the new favorite and Vincenti predicts a government proclamation of a new president in the morning. He slyly explains that his company had to rid itself of the burden of ten cents on each bunch of bananas and that they backed Ramon Olivarra's peaceful revolution. Dicky and Pasa are reunited and Pasa asks about the red wig and they laugh over the deception.

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